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SUBJECT: MEETING BETWEEN SECRETARY KISSINGER AND FOREIGN MINISTER  
VAN DER STOEL

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF REMARKS MADE TO JOURNALISTS FOLLOWING MEETING  
BETWEEN SECRETARY KISSINGER AND DUTCH FOREIGN MINISTER  
VAN DER STOEN,IN BRUSSELS ON DECEMBER 8.

BEGIN QUOTE:

THE SECRETARY:

THE FOREIGN MINISTER AND I HAD AN EXTREMELY FRIENDLY AND SUBSTANTIVELY

GOOD TALK.AS YOU KNOW THE NETHERLANDS ARE FUNCTIONING AS THE

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PRESIDING COUNTRY IN THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY AND MR.VAN DER STOEL

IS PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,WHICH MEANS THAT THE  
ALREADY CLOSE DIALOGUE BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES IS REINFORCED  
BY THE DIALOGUE THAT ALWAYS GOES ON BETWEEN THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY  
AND THE UNITED STATES.I WOULD LIKE TO SAY THAT MR.VAN DER STOEL  
HAS DISCHARGED THIS FUNCTION WITH ENORMOUS SKILL AND IN THE  
INTEREST,OF COURSE FIRST OF ALL THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY,BUT THE  
BENEFIT OF THE WEST AS A WHOLE.WE REVIEWED A WHOLE HOST OF ISSUES  
IN WHICH OUR TWO COUNTRIES AND THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY ARE  
INTERESTED -- THE MIDDLE EAST,THE PROBLEMS OF THE EASTERN MEDI-  
TERRANEAN,ESPECIALLY GREECE,TURKEY,NORTH/SOUTH DIALOGUE AND OF  
COURSE THE FUTURE OF NATO -- ALL OF IT,AS I SAID,IN A VERY  
CORDIAL ATMOSPHERE AND IN A VERY POSITIVE SPIRIT.

MR.VAN DER STOEL:

I HAVE VERY LITTLE TO ADD TO THIS APART FROM UNDERLINING ON MY  
SIDE THAT DURING THE PERIOD OF THE DUTCH PRESIDENCY,I HAVE VERY  
MUCH APPRECIATED THE CONTACTS WITH THE UNITED STATES.WE HAVE  
THE FRAMEWORK OF EUROLEAN POLITICAL COOPERATION.THE UNITED  
STATES AND THE COMMUNITY HAVE HAD FREQUENT CONTACTS AND THESE  
CONTACTS HAVE ALWAYS BEEN MOST FRUITFUL AND USEFUL.I HAVE ALSO  
TAKEN THIS OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS TO SECRETARY KISSINGER OUR  
APPRECIATION FOR THE WAY HE HAS CONTRIBUTED TO THE SOLVING OF  
MANY DIFFICULT INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS.ALSO ESPECIALLY THE WAY  
HE HAS CONTRIBUTED TO THE DEBATE ON ARMS CONTROL,WHICH I THINK  
WAS REALLY AN ADMIRABLE EFFORT.THANK YOU.

END QUOTE.

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